

Dexter City Council Draft Rules

a short version

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Rule 1. Regular Meetings

Regular Council meetings shall be held at the Dexter City Hall according to a schedule adopted by Council, which shall be published on the City's website and in the newspaper of record.

Rule 2. Special Meetings and Workshops

Special Council meetings and workshops shall be held at the Dexter City Hall at times and on dates approved by Council at a regular meeting, which shall be published on the City's website and in the newspaper or record.

Rule 3. Agendas and Packets

The City Clerk shall be responsible for preparing and promulgating agendas and packets for meetings and workshops. Agendas and packets shall be published on the City's website.

Rule 4. Records

Council records are public records and subject to applicable provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Minutes and resolutions shall be published on the City's website.

Rule 5. Meetings Public

Council meetings and workshops are open to the public, except for lawfully-entered closed sessions, and subject to the Open Meetings Act. Members of the public shall have reasonable opportunity to speak at Council meetings, including through a remote option. Council meetings and workshops shall be broadcast live and posted on the City's website.

Rule 6. Action on Certain Items

Resolutions, votes, or other proceedings imposing taxes or assessments; requiring the payment or expenditure of money or property; or creating a debt or liability may be considered at the same meeting at which it is introduced; however, the question shall only be considered upon affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council present if any member of Council raises an objection. Action on agenda items promulgated less than 122 hours before the start of a meeting may be considered at the meeting; however, action may only be taken upon affirmative vote of two-thirds of members of Council present if any member of Council raises an objection.

Rule 7. Procedures

The most-recent edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern. In cases where these Rules may differ, these Rules shall be controlling. In cases where City Charter or ordinances, State law, or federal law differ from Roberts Rules of Order or these Rules, they shall be controlling.